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Project Location

- Years 1 to 3: Two Gobi *aimags* – Uvurhangai and Dundgobi
- Years 3 to 5: Three additional *aimags* – *to be determined*

Project Goal

To increase development of an active civil society in targeted rural administrative regions of Mongolia

Project Objectives

- Increase support of citizen oversight of public services and citizen involvement in the policy process
- Increase impact and sustainability of rural society activists and organizations
- Increase citizen's awareness of and involvement in civil society activities

Funding Period

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Training, Advocacy &
Networking Program



Project Focus

- Supporting collaboration between civil society organizations and local government that increases civic participation
- Supporting civil society organizations to mobilize community resources in innovative ways for improved organizational sustainability and impact
- Supporting informal civil society associations to develop and benefit from indigenous organizational capacity building expertise
- Promoting awareness of and involvement in community driven activism and social entrepreneurship

Project Activities

- Organizational assessments and planning for civil society organizations
- Capacity building for civil society organizations based on individualized organizational development plans
- Training of trainers for local experts, including how to market training to local civil society and governmental organizations
- Targeted grants and technical assistance to promote social entrepreneurs among civil society organizations
- Assistance to civil society organizations to increase civic participation levels in their communities through household assessment methods
- Capacity building for civil society organizations, government and businesses in target geographic areas to establish transparent procurement mechanisms

Major Accomplishments

- Increased community participation in local council meetings by 40%
- Helped Civil Society Organizations (CSO) to pool resources and implement joint projects
- Initiated the tender of public services to CSOs for the first time, by facilitating local government and CSO joint service planning
- Helped form the first Civil Society Associations

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